

**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:**

1. An air return bulkhead, comprising:
  - a peripheral portion adapted to abut a wall of a trailer;
  - a panel coupled to and offset from the peripheral portion to define a plenum between the panel and the wall; and
  - means for releasably securing the peripheral portion in abutment with the wall such that the bulkhead may be manually removed and reinstalled without the use of handheld tools.
2. The air return bulkhead of claim 1, wherein the securing means comprises an upwardly extending panel portion and a strap system.
3. The air return bulkhead of claim 1, wherein the securing means comprises hook members projecting from the wall.
4. The air return bulkhead of claim 1, wherein the securing means comprises members projecting from said peripheral portion that are slidably received by a rigid member coupled to the wall.
5. The air return bulkhead of claim 1, wherein the securing means comprises a magnetic element that attracts at least a part of the peripheral portion toward the wall.
6. The air return bulkhead of claim 1, further comprising support members coupled to the panel and adapted to maintain the panel a first distance from the wall.
7. The air return bulkhead of claim 1, wherein the securing means comprises a hook-and-loop fastener system.
8. The air return bulkhead of claim 1, further comprising a filter element coupled to the panel.

9. The air return bulkhead of claim 8, wherein the filter element is disposed in the plenum area and spaced apart from a lower edge of the panel.
10. The air return bulkhead of claim 8, wherein the securing means is adapted to permit the filter element to be accessed without the use of handheld tools.
11. An air return bulkhead, comprising:
  - a plurality of peripheral flanges adapted to abut a wall of a trailer;
  - a panel coupled to and offset from the flanges to define a plenum between the panel and the wall; and
  - a plurality of mounting members to releasably secure the flanges in abutment with the wall such that the bulkhead may be manually removed and reinstalled without the use of handheld tools.
12. The air return bulkhead of claim 11, wherein the plurality of mounting members comprise an upwardly extending panel portion and a strap system.
13. The air return bulkhead of claim 11, wherein the plurality of mounting members comprise hook members projecting from the wall.
14. The air return bulkhead of claim 11, wherein the plurality of mounting members comprise members projecting from said peripheral portion that are slidably received by a rigid member coupled to the wall.
15. The air return bulkhead of claim 11, wherein the plurality of mounting members comprise a magnetic element that attracts at least a part of the peripheral portion toward the wall.
16. The air return bulkhead of claim 11, further comprising support members coupled to the panel and adapted to maintain the panel in a position spaced apart from the wall.

17. The air return bulkhead of claim 11, wherein the plurality of mounting members comprise a hook-and-loop fastener system.
18. The air return bulkhead of claim 11, further comprising a filter element coupled to the panel.
19. The air return bulkhead of claim 18, wherein the filter element is disposed in the plenum area and spaced apart from a lower edge of the panel.
20. The air return bulkhead of claim 18, wherein the plurality of mounting members are adapted to permit the filter element to be accessed without the use of handheld tools.